



MICHIGAN INDIGENT DEFENSE COMMISSION

Michigan Indigent Defense Commission Meeting Minutes
200 N. Washington Square, Lower Level
Lansing, MI 48933
January 8, 2018
Time: 10:00 AM

Commission Members Present

Michael Puerner, Chair, Judge Thomas Boyd, Thomas Clement (non-voting member), Judge Jeffrey Collins, Frank Eaman, Judge James Fisher, Joseph Haveman, Derek King, Tom McMillin, Brandy Robinson, David Schuringa, John Shea, William Swor, and Gary Walker

Participating via Telephone

Nancy Diehl

Chair Puerner called the Michigan Indigent Defense Commission (“MIDC” or “the Commission”) meeting to order at 10:00 am.

Public Comment

No members of the public were present, there was no public comment.

Chair Report

Chair Puerner reviewed the interview packets that were distributed to Commission members. The Commission discussed the interview process. Jonathan Sacks listed qualifications that were most important to the position.

The Commission interviewed Marla McCowan at 10:30 and Loren Khogali at 11:45.

Mr. Puerner asked for a motion to go into closed session. The Commission moved to go into a closed session to discuss the qualifications of Ms. McCowan and Ms. Khogali, after receiving requests from each candidate to do so. Mr. Puerner asked for a roll call vote. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.

The Commission returned from closed session.

Judge Boyd moved that the Commission offer the Executive Director position to Ms. Khogali. Mr. Swor seconded the motion. The motion carried with Mr. Walker voting nay.

Judge Boyd moved that Chair Puerner work with Ms. Khogali to establish a starting salary within the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs' and the Michigan Civil Service Commission's guidelines. The motion carried.

The Commission moved to adjourn. The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm.

The Commission will meet on February 20, 2018.